PATENT APPLICATION

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Group Art Unit: 2852

Yoshiya TOMATSU

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Sir:

Please substitute the attached $\underline{9}$ sheets of formal drawings depicting Figures $\underline{1-12}$ for the corresponding drawings filed with the application.

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